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My Dear Friend,

I am very truly obliged by your letter of October 10th giving me so many details relative to Mr Grant. I am full of curiosity as to what occurred in London & wish you would give me all the particulars as I shall be strictly upon honour & not think of applying to the Parisians themselves for explanation. I have the very highest opinion of your judgment & therefore doubt not that you were perfectly right in telling Mr Grant what you did relative to Mr Garrison, doubts & suspicions, but I do not see why you should have done it. It would seem to me as a first glance that it might have a tendency to damp his enthusiasm & extinguish whatever personal sympathy he might be beginning to feel for Garrison himself. Very few people are born misanthropists. But I repeat, that I have much reliance on your judgment

& prudence that I must not what
you said was for the best.

Garrison's mode of viewing Mr Crane
did not surprise me at all. It
is difficult for him as regards religion,
doctrine to place his self on another's
stand point. Somebody or other speaks
of Goethe's "fatal German many sided
gift." Now I don't call it a fatal
gift, but whether it be so or not, it
is not one that Garrison possesses.
His views on all subjects are matters
of most serious & earnest conviction &
there is nothing of indifference in
his character, or that strong sense of
the picturesque or artistic that so
essentially modifies if not our religious
opinions, at least our power of toleration.
As a virtuous & sensible man he would
include all creeds in the scope of
his toleration, but very few I appre-
hend in the scope of his sympathy.
Some remembrance traces of the early
creed of his childhood (as I believe
his mother was a rigid Baptist) occasion-
ally hang about him, but there
is ~~nothing~~ ^{much} ~~nothing~~ about him, heretical
as he may be, unalloyed to the
same position & absolute assertion of

opinion that is generally found only in
the more rigid sects. I might have
expressed all this in a much easier
way by simply saying that Garrison is
full as much surprised that anybody
can differ from him as Mr. Grane can
be that a good man should believe as
does Garrison. It is true that one thinks
final salvation involves in belief, &
the other does not, but I do not imagine
that tolerance or intolerance is
absolutely connected with that idea.
But I think you need have no
fear that matters will not proceed
smoothly if Mr. Grane can bear with
much extravagance and outrage upon
taste as at times appear in the
Liberator. We are all aware, & by we
I especially mean Messrs Phillips, Quincy
& myself of the great importance of
Mr. Grane's help & sympathy & shall
spare no pains to retain it, if possible.
I have the most entire reliance on
the genuine ness of his interest & feel
respecting the love, as I doubt not
that such may exist in harmony
with far more intense bigotry
than Mr. Grane ever dreamed of.
Indeed outspoken bigotry is not the
thing the American Abolitionists care
very much about.

A small, but very respectable sect
the Unitarians, would not approve the
action of the American A.S. Socy, because
of its denial of any religious test, but
inasmuch as they refuse acting under
the U. S. States government, partly
because of the compromises about
Slavery in the Constitution, they are
always exempted from our ecclesiastical
censures.

I was very much pleased with
your letter in the news paper you
sent & like wise with Mr Thorn's
answer to Mr Sturge. I was amused
at your conversation with Mr Charles,
& at his quotation in proof of bold
infidelity. Unitarians are very apt
to bewilder their reasoning powers
by confounding the question of the
guilt of Christ's murderers with the
magnitude of the event they were
instrumental in bringing about. We
are told exprely "that if they had
known it was the Lord of Glory" the
action would have been different
& the Saviour's prayer for their
pardon is predicated on their very
ignorance, so I see no infidelity
in saying that there have been
many occasions where men were
more guilty.

But to change my subject abruptly,
I wish I could, my dear Mr. Estlin,
convey to you more adequately than
I feel will be in my power, the
deep sense that all the home
glazing part of the Weston family
entertain of the kindness and
affection shown by yourself & Mary,
the name is a very familiar one
to W. L. & the party. It was to us
great subjects of rejoicing that such
unmingled happiness as their Bristol
visit afforded, should have been
so safely theirs, after the dreadful
suffering connected with their
own lives' experience. I have
never felt such a longing to share
their enjoyments as when we were
receiving their Bristol dispatches. They
were a great deal of labour to the
Anti Slavery Cause, were it only as
a thank offering, for what it has
done for them in the formation of
their Bristol friendships, friendships that
will continue, irrespective of the
cause that first brought them
about.

I am disappointed at not
seeing Mrs. Corlies or Emma by the
time just arrived at N. Y. I ought
not to be disappointed, for Corlies

warned me not to expect a letter
till I die. I suppose they are in
the hurry of settling down for the
winter. I am sorry you did not see
Emma at Brighton. We do not even
know whether she is in England or France.
A letter from Mr. Bates to my brother
is lying before me, but as I did
not forewarn him that I should
open his letters, I feel obliged to forward
it to Nathaniel & wait for a
letter from him. Before I can have
tidings of her. Our best accounts of
his health were very encouraging.
He was much improved in all
respects, able to walk 4 miles a
day. I have never had much faith
in the Water Cure, & if he really
should entirely recover from it, I
must consider that his complaint
has been misunderstood by the Doctors
& that it is nervous & not organic. He
is not the least enervated as I had feared,
but poor Deborah would be I imagine
was not quite so triumphant.
However she has escaped our little Weymouth
Fair which we have just successfully
concluded. I call the receipt of \$170
a there about price, so you will see that
our aims are not very high. One
evening Mr. Phillips gave a most excellent

address that gave was received with entire
approbation by all who heard it. We
had expected Mr Garrison but a severe
influenza prevented his coming.

Things look favorably as respects the
Boston Bazaar but I cannot but fear
that the situation of Assembly Hall
will be much against us. Still it
was the only hall whose size and
ventilation made it all suitable for
our purpose & we shall at least
have the means of making a
creditable exhibition. Trusting that this
would be the best Fair under
my management I was anxious to
do this even if the pecuniary result
should not be as good as last year.
Mr May & his mother dined with
us last week, coming out to the
Fair, & he showed me a letter from
the Leeds of Lupton. They have despatched
their Fair Boxes by a packet ship
which is expected soon. They give
a most magnificent account of a
splendid screen manufactured by the
Ladies of Leeds (four of them at least)
We are impatient to see it, for they
estimate its value at £50 above \$250!

They were offered £ 30 for it in Decr
How we shall dispose of it I cannot
say, for it is next to impossible
that we shall have many mil-
lions of customers, but we shall
spread its glories far & wide. I am
so glad that they have written
their own description of it, for in
matters of that sort I am terribly
deficient. Maria is a perfect Genl
Robins, but it is very difficult for
me to say any thing but "Here is
the jug," for the explanation of
which allusion I must refer you to
Emma & Lizzy.

Please give my best love to Mary
& many thanks for her very acceptable
letters. I hope for more by the British
Box. Also please to remember me
very affectionately to Mrs Mitchell.
I received her Bell contribution with
great pleasure. With yourself or
Mary send any hints that may
be useful in the preparation of
the Bazaar Gazette or in sending
Bells abroad. I shall be very
grateful for any information.

I wish I could write further, but my
time is near & I have yet my four
letter to finish. I have a hundred others.

With thanks for letters from kitchen. journey to Mary. A true